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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: George J. Picha, et al.
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AMENDMENT B

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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office action dated June 2, 2004.
The three-month period for responding to the Office action expires on September 2, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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